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Sent: 8/12/2021 11:41:04 AM
To: Beachum, Collin [Beachum.Collin@epa.gov]; Wallace, Ryan [Wallace.Ryan@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: FOR IMMEDIATE ACTION: FY 2023 Over-Target Request on Cumulative Risk
Attachments: 2021 08 12 FY 2023 Over Target Justification Cumulative Risk Methodologies.docx

Thanks very much, Collin! Attached is the document I developed with your contribution. Please let me know if you have any questions.

Best,
Kevin

From: Beachum, Collin <Beachum.Collin@epa.gov>
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Thanks Ryan and Kevin.

The paragraph below is what I've come up with. Hopefully this is what you are looking for. Please let me know if you need anything else and have a great evening.

Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

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Hi Ryan:

Thanks for the response. The request is for a paragraph on how you would use the extra money to expand the work on phthalates in the context of “cumulative risk methodologies.” The screen shot is of the overarching cumulative risk effort of which this would be a piece. Does that help?

Best,
Kevin

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Hi Kevin,

Sorry I haven't gotten back to you on this, but I've been in meetings most of the day. Not exactly sure what you're asking for here. You need a paragraph that explains how we would use extra funding for work on phthalates? Is the screenshot you attached an example of a justification for another project?

Thanks,
Ryan

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Hi Ryan and Collin:

I hope all is well today. I am writing with an urgent request, and I apologize for dropping this in your laps. Here's the drill...

- In the FY 2023 direction on over-target requests, OCSPP received \$2.0 million and 3 FTE for CRRR activities under the larger, ORD-led umbrella of “Advancing Cumulative Risk Methodologies.”

- In a meeting with ORD yesterday, we were given wide latitude to identify the type of work we would like to do in this area.
- ORD has to put together a single over-target justification for the funding identified below. They are working to do this by the end of the week. They have asked for a paragraph from each of the offices with equities in this effort.
- Mark and Tala agreed this morning that ECRAD's work on phthalates would be an appropriate project for this funding, should it become a reality.

So I am hoping that you can provide me with the requested paragraph, which would describe the work you would do if you received the identified resources. We need this by noon Thursday.

Will you please let me know if you can do this? I'll be happy to answer any questions you might have.

Best,
Kevin

Over Target Summary Table

| Activity (tag below number to the OT Activity field in BFS) | Office | Account | Program Project | Non-Pay (\$K) | FTE |
|--|-----------|---------|--|------------------|-------------|
| Focus Area: Restoration of Offsets | | | | | |
| 1. Offset Restoration | OLEM | SF | Superfund: Remedial | \$102,142 | - |
| Focus Area: Building Equity Across EPA's Mission | | | | | |
| 2. Advancing Cumulative Risk Methodologies | ORD - HQ | S&T | Homeland Security: Preparedness, Response and Recovery | \$392 | 1.3 |
| | ORD - HQ | S&T | Research: Air, Climate and Energy | \$2,654 | 6.3 |
| | ORD - HQ | S&T | Research: Safe and Sustainable Water Resources | \$2,054 | 8.1 |
| | ORD - HQ | S&T | Research: Sustainable and Healthy Communities | \$3,900 | 9.3 |
| | OW - HQ | EPM | Drinking Water Programs | \$2,000 | 3.0 |
| | OAR - HQ | EPM | Federal Support for Air Quality Management | \$2,000 | 3.0 |
| | OCSP - HQ | EPM | Chemical Risk Review and Reduction | \$2,000 | 3.0 |
| | OLEM - HQ | SF | Superfund: Remedial | \$2,000 | 3.0 |
| | OGC - HQ | EPM | Legal Advice: Environmental Programs | \$2,000 | 3.0 |
| Subtotal | | | | \$19,000 | 40.0 |

2. Advancing Cumulative Risk Methodologies (\$19.0 M non-pay and 40 FTE), Lead Offices: ORD with OAR, OW, OCSPP, OLEM, OGC

This decision supports ORD in advancing available data and methodologies to consider and account for cumulative risk more fully in decision making across program offices. The capacity to consider the cumulative impacts of all related EPA actions is a central pillar in making more equitable decisions across the agency. ORD is to coordinate with OW, OAR, OCSPP, OLEM, and OGC to improve the scientific and technical methodologies to make information about cumulative risk more accessible across EPA. The work should address complex interactions between pollution sources, exposures, non-chemical stressors, climate change, and communities. Social science experts, integrated with EPA's capabilities, will analyze natural and technological systems, conduct solutions-focused research, collaborate with communities with environmental justice concerns, improve risk communication, and tailor science-based tools and solutions for communities. *Note that allocations in the table are initial and offices may make adjustments using the technical adjustment form if the programs concur on a different allocation.*